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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2017–18 REGULAR SESSION

## **ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 6**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Lackey**  
**(Coauthors: Assembly Members Travis Allen, Baker, Chávez,**  
**Cooley, Cooper, Cunningham, Flora, Gallagher, Kiley, Patterson,**  
**and Steinorth)**  
**(Coauthors: Senators Anderson, Bates, Gaines, Morrell, Nielsen, and**  
**Wilk)**

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An act to add Section 2429.7 to the Vehicle Code, relating to driving under the influence.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 6, as amended, Lackey. Driving under the influence: drugged driving task force.

Existing law specifies the duties and powers of the Commissioner of the California Highway Patrol.

This bill would require the commissioner to appoint, and serve as the chairperson of, a drugged driving task force, with specified membership, to develop recommendations for best practices, protocols, proposed legislation, and other policies that will address the issue of driving under the influence of drugs, including prescription drugs. The bill would also require the task force to examine the use of technology, including field testing technologies, to identify drivers under the influence of drugs. The bill would require the task force to report to the Legislature its

policy recommendations and the steps that state agencies are taking regarding drugged driving. *The bill would require these provisions to be implemented to the extent specified funding is made available.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 2429.7 is added to the Vehicle Code, to  
2 read:  
3 2429.7. (a) The commissioner shall appoint a drugged driving  
4 task force to develop recommendations for best practices, protocols,  
5 proposed legislation, and other policies that will address the issue  
6 of driving under the influence of drugs, including prescription  
7 drugs. The task force shall also examine the use of technology,  
8 including field testing technologies, to identify drivers under the  
9 influence of drugs. The task force shall consist of the  
10 commissioner, who shall serve as chairperson, and at least one  
11 member from each of the following:  
12 (1) The Office of Traffic Safety.  
13 (2) The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.  
14 (3) Local law enforcement.  
15 (4) District attorneys.  
16 (5) Local government representatives.  
17 (6) *California Association of Crime Laboratory Directors.*  
18 ~~(6)~~  
19 (7) California Attorneys for Criminal Justice.  
20 ~~(7)~~  
21 (8) The California Marijuana Research Program, known as the  
22 Center for Medicinal Cannabis Research, authorized pursuant to  
23 Section 11362.9 of the Health and Safety Code.  
24 ~~(8)~~  
25 (9) Medical cannabis industry representatives.  
26 ~~(9)~~  
27 (10) Pharmaceutical industry representatives.  
28 ~~(10)~~  
29 (11) Licensed physicians.  
30 ~~(11)~~  
31 (12) Nongovernmental organizations that focus on improving  
32 roadway safety.

1 (b) The members of the task force shall serve at the pleasure of  
2 the commissioner and without compensation.

3 (c) The task force shall report to the Legislature its policy  
4 recommendations and the steps state agencies are taking regarding  
5 drugged driving. The report shall be submitted in compliance with  
6 Section 9795 of the Government Code.

7 (d) *This section shall be implemented only to the extent that the*  
8 *Department of the California Highway Patrol has been provided*  
9 *funding through the annual Budget Act or by subdivision (c) of*  
10 *Section 34019 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.*